

MEMORANDUM:

Re: Preliminary Assessment , Litton Industries, Springfield Mo.

From: Steven Kinser

To: Gale Wright

Site:	LITTON
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Other:	PA
8-20-85	

This is a site of wastewater from a printed circuits operation. Initially the wastewater was disposed of by ~~land-farming~~ irrigation and by discharging to a sinkhole on the Litton property. This was discontinued after ponds were constructed for storage and settling. Wastewater and sludges were also discharged through ~~xx~~ a series of terraces into a pit. The plant was opened in 1969 and the sludges were removed from the pits drummed and disposed of in about 1975. At that time the company began disposing the wastewater in a lagoon which was later cleaned out and covered over. The sludge from the lagoon was hauled to an approved disposal site. Copper is thought to be the predominant waste at the site, however there is the possibility of TCE, Tin, nickel, rhodium, gold, ~~and others~~.

This site is located in a karst area. There is potential for contamination of the shallow groundwater and through local wells contamination of the deep aquifer is possible. There is not much development adjacent to the site except for industrial. However within one mile of the site there is considerable residential development.

There is insufficient information to determine that there is no current risk to human health or to the environment as a result of past practices at this site. At a minimum ground water and soil samples are needed to determine the nature and extent of the problem, if any, at this site.

Gale A. Wright
Agree 7/26/85

disagree

Leslie L. SI should
comments
be ordered in next Qtrly
Request.

Note: state should do SI on this site at a later date

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POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE

Preliminary Assessment
Litton Industries

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Litton Industries (Advanced Circuitry Division) is located adjacent to the Springfield Regional Airport on Highway 00 (Kearney Street) 1.6 miles west of the Junction of Highway 160 and Kearney Street (Highway 744). The legal description is SW 1/4, SE 1/4, SW 1/4, Section 6, T29N, R22W.

The Litton site is owned by: Litton Industries, Inc.
360 North Crescent
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Litton began operation at the site in about 1969, manufacturing printed circuit boards. Processes included in the operation are plating with copper pyrophosphate, tin nickel, rhodium, gold, and tin.

Litton initially disposed of wastewater by irrigation and by discharging to a sinkhole on the Litton property. This was discontinued after ponds were constructed for storage and settling. Wastewater and sludges were also discharged through a series of terraces into a pit. The soils were determined to have an ion attraction to the copper as the wastewater percolated through it. What didn't soak into the soils flowed into the pit. The entire area around the site is laddened with sinkholes and has been determined to be a recharge area for springs to the north, east and west. In about 1975 the sludges were removed from the pits, drummed up, and disposed of at an approved facility. Wastewater from the plant was then discharged to a lagoon system which also was later abandoned, cleaned out and dozed in. The sludges from the lagoon were hauled to an approved waste disposal site. The company has connected to the Springfield municipal sewerage system and installed a pretreatment system for removal of plating wastes.

Copper is thought to be the predominant waste at the site however, there may also be some solvents such as TCE. Quantities and concentrations are not known. The sludge has been removed but soils where land application was done through overland flow and irrigation may have high concentrations of copper and/or solvents.

Some copper compounds are toxic and TCE is a carcinogen. The specific copper compounds found on the Litton site are not known at this time.

Because of the karst topography of the area there is a potential of groundwater contamination. There is no surface water runoff in the site area. Contaminants would be limited to those leached from the soils on the gently rolling site.

The area surrounding the site is zoned industrial with some pasturing of beef and dairy cattle. There is very little residential

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development within one mile of the site however substantial residential development continues to take place one mile and more to the southeast. Ritter Springs Park and Fantastic Caverns are approximately three miles from the site to the northeast.

There are 8-10 wells within one mile of the site that are capable of receiving migrating wastes. The nearest well is about 1/2 mile to the north. The other wells are to the north, northwest and northeast.

The Burlington aquifer is only about 30-40 feet below the surface and because of the karst topography contaminants would be expected to move rapid from the surface into it. Wells in the area would serve as channels to introduce contaminants to depths up to 300 feet. This could effect as many as 800 people who are on private or non-state approved public wells within three miles of the site.

Soil at the site consists of a thin layer of wind-blown silty clay surface soil overlying thick layers of Burlington residuum which consists of clay, gravelly clay, and chert boulders and is highly permeable.

Precipitation and evaporation in the area are about equal and the one year, 24-hour rainfall is 3.25 inches.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

There is no evidence that waste sludge or other hazardous wastes are still buried on site. Of some concern is the potential leaching of toxic compounds from the terraced area formerly used in the disposal of the plating wastes. If the soil has not trapped the ions there could be long term leaching of the waste materials into the shallow groundwater. This could be determined by soil samples taken from the terraces and/or by water samples from springs recharged by the sinkholes at the site and nearby wells.

APPENDIX A
PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT FORM
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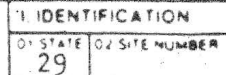
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EPA POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT PART I - SITE INFORMATION AND ASSESSMENT				I. IDENTIFICATION	
				01 STATE 29	02 SITE NUMBER
II. SITE NAME AND LOCATION					
01 SITE NAME (Legal description or actual address, name of site)			02 STREET ROUTE NO. OR SPECIFIC LOCATION IDENTIFIER		
LITTON			4811 West Kearney		
03 CITY			04 STATE	05 ZIP CODE	06 COUNTY
Springfield			MO	65803	Greene
07 COUNTY CODE			08 CONG. DIST.		
077			7		
09 LATITUDE			LONGITUDE		
37 14 35			93 22 40		
10 DIRECTION TO SITE (Starting from nearest public road)					
Hwy 00 (Kearney Street) west of Interstate 44, near the Springfield Regional Airport.					
III. RESPONSIBLE PARTIES					
01 OWNER			02 STREET (Business mailing address)		
Litton Industries, Inc.			360 North Cresent		
03 CITY			04 STATE	05 ZIP CODE	06 TELEPHONE NUMBER
Beverly Hills			CA	90210	
07 OPERATOR (Name and address of firm owner)			08 STREET (Business mailing address)		
Litton Advanced Circuitry Division			4811 West Kearney		
09 CITY			10 STATE	11 ZIP CODE	12 TELEPHONE NUMBER
Springfield			MO	65803	417, 862-0751
13 TYPE OF OWNERSHIP (Check one)					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A PRIVATE <input type="checkbox"/> B FEDERAL <input type="checkbox"/> C STATE <input type="checkbox"/> D COUNTY <input type="checkbox"/> E MUNICIPAL <input type="checkbox"/> F OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> G UNKNOWN					
14 HAS OPERATOR NOTIFICATION ON FILE? (Check one)					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A YES DATE RECEIVED <input type="checkbox"/> B UNCONTROLLED WASTE SITE (CERCLA USE) DATE RECEIVED <input type="checkbox"/> C NONE					
IV. CHARACTERIZATION OF POTENTIAL HAZARD					
01 ON SITE INSPECTION			02 BY (Check all that apply)		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES DATE <input type="checkbox"/> NO			<input type="checkbox"/> A EPA <input type="checkbox"/> B EPA CONTRACTOR <input type="checkbox"/> C STATE <input type="checkbox"/> D OTHER CONTRACTOR <input type="checkbox"/> E LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIAL <input type="checkbox"/> F OTHER		
CONTRACTOR NAME IS:					
03 SITE STATUS (Check one)			04 YEAR OF OPERATION		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A ACTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> B INACTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> C UNKNOWN			BEGINNING YEAR END YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN		
05 DESCRIPTION OF SUBSTANCES POSSIBLY PRESENT (KNOWN OR ALLEGED)					
Plating wastes and solvents (Copper, tin, rhodium, and TCE)					
06 DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIAL HAZARD TO ENVIRONMENT AND OR POPULATION					
Possible leaching into groundwater.					
V. PRIORITY ASSESSMENT					
01 PRIORITY FOR INSPECTION (Check one) (High = medium = low) (Complete Part 2. Waste information and Part 3. Detection of hazardous conditions and incidents)					
<input type="checkbox"/> A HIGH <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> XB MEDIUM <input type="checkbox"/> C LOW <input type="checkbox"/> D NONE					
VI. INFORMATION AVAILABLE FROM					
01 CONTACT		02 OF (Agency/ Organization)		03 TELEPHONE NUMBER	
Joe Rowe		DNR, DEQ, Hazardous Waste Management		(314) 751-3241	
04 PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR ASSESSMENT		05 AGENCY	06 ORGANIZATION	07 TELEPHONE NUMBER	08 DATE
Charles L. Kroeger		DNR	DEQ, SRO.	417 883-4033	4/2/85

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PART 3 - DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS		01 STATE	02 SITE NUMBER		
II. HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS					
01 A GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 30		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		X POTENTIAL ALLEGED	
Karst topography and shallow groundwater could allow migration of contaminants in Burlington aquifer.					
01 B SURFACE WATER CONTAMINATION 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		POTENTIAL ALLEGED	
01 C CONTAMINATION OF AIR 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		POTENTIAL ALLEGED	
01 D FIRE EXPLOSIVE CONDITIONS 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		POTENTIAL ALLEGED	
01 E DIRECT CONTACT 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		POTENTIAL ALLEGED	
01 F CONTAMINATION OF SOIL 03 AREA POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 2-3 acres		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		X POTENTIAL ALLEGED	
Previous disposal method utilizing land application through series of terraces could have contaminated area soils.					
01 G DRINKING WATER CONTAMINATION 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 30		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		X POTENTIAL ALLEGED	
Groundwater contamination could affect nearby shallow or improperly cased wells.					
01 H WORKER EXPOSURE INJURY 03 WORKERS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		POTENTIAL ALLEGED	
01 I POPULATION EXPOSURE INJURY 03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED		02 OBSERVED DATE 04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION		POTENTIAL ALLEGED	



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PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT

PART 3 - DESCRIPTION OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS

I. IDENTIFICATION

01 STATE 02 SITE NUMBER

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II. HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AND INCIDENTS *Continued*

01 ☐ J. DAMAGE TO FLORA
04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED

01 ☒ K. DAMAGE TO FAUNA
04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION *(Include names of species)*

02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE _____) ☒ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED

Contamination of groundwater could damage animals in springs and caves of the area such as cavefishes, crawfish and minnows.

01 ☐ L. CONTAMINATION OF FOOD CHAIN
04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED

01 ☐ M. UNSTABLE CONTAINMENT OF WASTES
Spills result in standing liquids, leaking drums
03 POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED _____
04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED

01 ☒ N. DAMAGE TO OFFSITE PROPERTY
04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED

Contamination of groundwater and subsequently area springs would cause damage to off site property.

01 ☐ O. CONTAMINATION OF SEWERS, STORM DRAINS, WWTPs
04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED

01 ☐ P. ILLEGAL UNAUTHORIZED DUMPING
04 NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

02 ☐ OBSERVED (DATE _____) ☐ POTENTIAL ☐ ALLEGED

05 DESCRIPTION OF ANY OTHER KNOWN POTENTIAL OR ALLEGED HAZARDS

III. TOTAL POPULATION POTENTIALLY AFFECTED 30

IV. COMMENTS

Contamination of shallow groundwater with metals and/or solvents could spread to shallow cased wells and be introduced into deeper waters with the wells serving as conduits.

V. SOURCES OF INFORMATION *(To be completed by assessor)*

DNR files and DGLS.

